

Amendments to the Claims

This Listing of Claims, as amended below, replaces all previous listings.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) An implantable drug delivery system comprising:

a storage area for storing a drug,

a meter for metering a predetermined, effective amount of the drug;

delivery means for delivering the effective amount of the drug to a patient to treat a disorder, the delivery means comprising:

a catheter having a plurality of drug delivery ports, the drug delivery ports being movable between an open position to deliver the drug to the patient, and a closed position; and

drug delivery path preservation means comprising a coating on the catheter for interacting with fibrous occlusion-forming substances to resist delivering a substance to the ports for resisting fibrous occlusion of the drug delivery ports, ~~the drug delivery preservation means being proximate the drug delivery ports.~~

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the coating substance for resisting fibrous occlusions comprises poly(glycine-valine-glycine-valine-proline).

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the catheter has a longitudinal axis and the drug delivery ports comprise a plurality of slits.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the coating substance for resisting fibrous occlusions in the drug delivery ports comprises a material selected from the group consisting of connective tissue growth blocker, C-Proteinase blocker, prolyl hydroxylase blocker, poly(glycine-valine-glycine-valine-proline), and polylacticglycolic acid microspheres including dexamethasone.

Claims 17-20. (Cancelled)